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TO AMEMBASSY LAGOS

INFO AMCONSUL IBADAN

AMCONSUL KADUNA

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SUBJECT: TRAVEL OF EDWARD SCHAEFER TO NIGERIA

REF: LAGOS 9328

1. SCHAEFER'S VISIT TO NIGERIA IS TO BE PART OF A GENERAL ORIENTATION TRIP TO CENTRAL AND WEST AFRICA WHICH IS TO INCLUDE STOPS IN ZAIRE, IVORY COAST, LIBERIA, SENEGAL AND PERHAPS ONE OR TWO OTHER COUNTRIES. GIVEN THE IMPORTANCE OF NIGERIA IN AFRICA, SCHAEFER WOULD LIKE TO SPEND APPROXIMATELY A WEEK IN-COUNTRY AND TO VISIT IBADAN, KADUNA AND KANO IN ADDITION TO LAGOS. HE WOULD LIKE TO MEET WITH EMBASSY AND CONSTITUENT POST OFFICERS AND, AT THE DISCRETION OF THE EMBASSY (AND BEARING IN MIND THAT RAMADAN WILL NOT BE OVER UNTIL ABOUT SEPTEMBER 24), TO MEET WITH LOCAL OFFICIALS.

2. SHOULD INTERNAL TRAVEL IN NIGERIA BE PERMITTED SCHAEFER PROPOSES THE FOLLOWING ITINERARY:

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ARRIVE LAGOS 2050, SEPTEMBER 16, FROM KINSHASA VIA
PAN AM 191

DEPART LAGOS 0815, SEPTEMBER 21, WT 674
ARRIVE KADUNA 0920
DEPART KADUNA 1350, SEPTEMBER 23, WT 675
ARRIVE LAGOS 1455
DEPART LAGOS 1935, SEPTEMBER 25, WT 961
ARRIVE ABIDJAN 1955

PRESUMABLY TRAVEL TO IBADAN AND RETURN TO LAGOS BY
EMBASSY TRANSPORTATION COULD BE ARRANGED. FLIGHT TO
KADUNA COULD BE CHANGED TO ANY DAY WHICH MIGHT BE MORE
CONVENIENT FOR EMBASSY OR KADUNA. IF FEASIBLE TO DRIVE
TO KANO IT MIGHT BE POSSIBLE TO ARRANGE FOR A RETURN
FLIGHT TO LAGOS FROM KANO INSTEAD OF KADUNA.

3. SHOULD INTERNAL TRAVEL NOT BE POSSIBLE BY THE TIME
OF SCHAEFER'S ARRIVAL IN LAGOS ON SEPTEMBER 16, HE
WOULD SHORTEN HIS VISIT, DEPARTING LAGOS FOR ABIDJAN
1100, SEPTEMBER 21 VIA T 963.

4. PROPOSED SCHEDULE FOR SCHAEFER'S FULL TRIP BY SEPTTEL.
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